

\$150,000 DAMAGE; FISHER TANNERY AT BETHEL GONE

125 Workmen are Thrown out of Employment by Fire Which Swept Through the Big Plant To-day, Destroying Four Buildings.

SUSPICION POINTS TO AN INCENDIARY

Flames Were Discovered at Six O'clock This Morning, a Half-hour After the Watchman Had Passed and Found Things All Right.

Bethel, April 20.—The big and well-equipped tannery plant of the E. C. Fisher company, located in this village, was practically wiped out by fire to-day, nothing remaining standing except the hide-house and office. The loss is variously estimated from \$150,000 to \$200,000, with an insurance of \$150,000. It is suspected that the fire was of incendiary origin.

When the watchman made his rounds at half past five o'clock this morning, everything about the plant seemed to be all right. Within half an hour, or at about six o'clock, flames were seen issuing from the second floor of one of the buildings, they being first noticed by a young man in a nearby hotel. He gave the alarm and the fire company was soon called out.

By that time, however, the building where the fire broke out was all enveloped in flames, and the firemen were unable to check the advance. Then in rapid succession the fire attacked building after building until four of them were in flames at one time. The firemen made a stand at the office and hide-house and succeeded in checking the fire at that point late this forenoon. The other four buildings were entirely consumed and this afternoon are but smoking ruins. The ruins are being watched lest the fire break out again and add to the great loss already sustained. The Fisher tannery business was next to the granite industry, the largest business in town, employing 125 workmen, who are thus thrown out of employment. It is not known whether the plant will be rebuilt, as one of the partners is in Boston at present, and decision will not be reached until he returns to Bethel. The Fisher company does a big business, and the community hopes that the plant will be rebuilt. The members of the concern have the sympathy of all in their loss.

In addition to the fact that the watchman was unable to find anything wrong at half past five, whereas the flames broke out at six, there is one other suspicious circumstance in connection with the fire, as it is said that two men were seen standing on the track near the tannery at just about that time; and it is suspected that they may have had something to do with the origin of the fire.

The fire department of twenty men worked valiantly to save the property and they were assisted by a large number of volunteers. The loss has cast a gloom over the village, because so many were thrown out of work and because it will be some time before the tannery gets to running again, in case the Fisher company decides to rebuild.

The Washburn agency in Montpelier carried \$150,000 insurance on the E. C. Fisher company tannery at Bethel, which was burned to-day, and W. C. Washburn went to Bethel this afternoon to see the ruins. Of this total insurance, three Vermont companies carried small amounts, as follows: The Vermont Mutual, \$5,000; Union Mutual, \$2,000; Granite Mutual of Barre, \$1,000.

LANDED IN TREE TOPS.

Balloons Went from Pittsfield, Mass., to Biddeford, Me.

Biddeford, Me., April 20.—Landing in the treetops in a forest a few miles north of this city at 3:15 yesterday afternoon, pilot William Van Sleet of Pittsfield, Mass., and Oscar R. Hutchinson of Lenox, Mass., completed one of the longest balloon trips ever made in New England.

The men left Pittsfield at 10:25 a. m. in the balloon "In the Heart of the Birch Shires" and headed northeast. They rose to 6,000 feet and maintained an elevation of from 6,000 to 8,000 feet throughout the trip, passing over the White Mountain region and then veering to the southeast.

When pilot Van Sleet saw the ocean in the vicinity of Old Orchard Beach, booming up, he immediately prepared to land, but unable to find any clearing which appeared he trusted to the treetops. The balloon was not injured and they climbed down the trees and pulled the deflated balloon after them.

The distance covered in the four hours and 50 minutes was 160 miles air line, but nearly 80 miles further by the course taken. The balloon was carried to this city and the aeronauts continued on to Portland for the night.

THEIR MINISTERS SELECTED.

For Vermont Methodist Churches in Troy Conference.

Gloverville, N. Y., April 20.—The following Vermont appointments in the Burlington district were made yesterday at the annual Troy conference:

Burlington District.

Superintendent, P. L. Dow.

Arlington and Sandgate—C. H. Mead.

Bennington—W. H. Brunk.

Barnes—R. W. Washburn.

Brandon—S. S. Cobb.

Dridport—Supplied by O. E. Barnard.

Bristol—E. H. Stone.

Burlington—C. V. Grismer.

Cambridge—H. S. Rowe.

Cattletown—Supplied by Frank Garfield.

East Middlebury—E. Howell.

Fair Haven—E. O. Marwell.

Graville—G. W. Brown.

Hampton—H. J. Sallick.

Hinesburg—W. R. Rider.

Hoosick Falls—J. L. Cline.

Lincoln—Supplied by D. F. Wells.

Manchester Center—E. S. Morey.

Mendon and East Pittsford—Supplied by G. E. Rollins.

Middlebury—E. H. Cokran.

Middleton Springs—Supplied by E. E. Stuart.

Monkton—W. R. Hall.

North Ferrisburgh—A. B. Potter.

North Hoosick—E. E. Pace.

Panton and West Addison—Supplied by E. M. Sawyers.

Pawlet and West—David Hughes.

Pittsford—C. X. Curtis.

Poultney—J. B. Horton.

Pownall—J. C. Mitchell.

Racville and North Granville—H. L. Kelton.

Ripton—Supplied by H. M. Hall.

Rupert—W. L. Washburne.

Rutland—M. H. Smith.

Salem—Charles Edwards.

Shelburne and Charlotte—G. E. Watson.

Shushan and West Arlington—B. C. Dahms.

South Shaftsbury and Shaftsbury—William Cashmore.

Starkshoof—To be supplied.

Timothy and Danby—F. Janvier.

Vergennes and Ferrisburgh—J. C. Fisher.

West Hebron and Belcher—G. A. Parker.

West Rutland—Supplied by E. W. Hallowell.

West Salisbury—W. E. Slossum.

Weybridge—F. D. McCabe.

White River Junction and North Bennington—W. E. Newell.

Williston—B. M. Kent.

Winouki—F. O. Winans.

HOPE TO AVERT BLOODSHED.

So Young Turks Will Assemble an Army to Overawe Resistance.

Salonica, April 20.—Hoping to avert bloodshed the Young Turks are camping about Constantinople until their forces are so great that the Sultan's army will fear the attempt to contest the Young Turk's entrance. Thousands are joining the Young Turks daily. It is estimated that the army will have 80,000 men when the march on Constantinople begins. The Young Turks declare that the leaders of the revolt against them are doomed to death. The Sultan's fate rests with them. Many say that a secret conference has decreed the Sultan's death.

RESIGNATION EXPECTED.

Unless the Kaiser Will Help the Sultan Save His Throne.

Constantinople, via Philippopolis, April 20.—The Sultan has turned over Germany in an effort to save his throne. It was learned on the highest authority today that the Sultan is asking the Kaiser's aid, reminding him of past favors.

Grand Vizier Pasha is reported to have resigned. He is now conferring with the Sultan regarding the surrender of Constantinople. The Sultan's abdication is momentarily expected unless the Kaiser helps.

GEORGE WINTER SOLD.

Detroit Champions Let Old Boston Pitcher Go to Montreal.

Detroit, April 20.—George Winter, one of America's most unfortunate pitchers, has passed to the minors, being sold yesterday to Montreal of the Eastern league.

He pitched several good games for the Tigers last year, usually losing by a run. He had good curves, speed and control, but for some reason lack was against him. Detroit bought him from Boston early last season.

IDE AT ST. JOHNSBURY.

Will Visit a Few Days Prior to Taking Leave for New Post.

St. Johnsbury, April 20.—Hon. Henry C. Ide is in town for a few days, visiting his brother, Elmore T. Ide. Mr. Ide is to sail May 6 with his daughter, Miss Marjorie Ide, for Paris, and thence to Madrid, Mr. and Mrs. Bonrke Cochran will join him there, instead of accompanying him, as has been reported.

REPORTED KILLED.

Turkish Prince of Samos According to a Despatch.

Smyrna, April 20.—Nopisat Effendi, the Turkish prince of Samos, has been assassinated, according to a despatch.

For Department Commander.

Richford, April 20.—The friends of Capt. J. N. Culver of this place are urging the consideration of his candidacy for department commander of the Vermont G. A. R., at the department encampment at Burlington May 12-13.

TWO JURORS SELECTED

In Panel to Try Chester S. Jordan

FOR MURDER OF HIS WIFE

Trial of Boston Man, Charged with a Most Brutal Crime, Was Begun in East Cambridge Court To-day.

Boston, April 20.—The trial of Chester S. Jordan, who is charged with brutally murdering his wife and butchering her body, began in the East Cambridge superior court to-day before Judge Stevens and Bell. One hundred and fifty talesmen were present, and two jurors were chosen before noon. Judge Stevens informed the prisoner that he is entitled to twenty-two peremptory challenges.

The mystery that surrounded the case, and the fact that Jordan is the brother-in-law of Jesse Livermore of New York, the millionaire broker, has aroused public interest. The defense, conducted by Charles W. Bartlett, Harvey H. Pratt and Jeremiah S. Sullivan, has tested every possible means in unsuccessful efforts to free the prisoner.

To meet the moves of the defense, District Attorney John J. Higgins, who is conducting the government's case, had the prisoner indicted twice.

The facts, so far as known about the case, are these. On the morning of Sept. 3, Charles Linberg, a driver for Perham's Winter Hill express, in answer to an order, called at 609 Medford street, Somerville, and got a trunk which to took to the South station. That same morning Chester S. Jordan went to Boston and engaged a room at 7 Hancock street for two weeks. That afternoon Jordan went to the room in a cab driven by George W. Collins, who had a stand at the Hotel Essex, bringing with him a trunk, whose weight, together with the great care that Jordan took of it, aroused Collins' suspicions. Collins went to the Joy street station and reported his suspicions to Sergeant Michael Crowley and Patrolman Michael Dago. The three men went to the Hancock street house, hid until Jordan returned and then confronted him and ordered him to open the trunk. In the trunk were found parts of a body. Jordan was taken to station 3. At Jordan's home an investigation revealed a bloody hackaw, knife and razor, and in the furnace the head and other portions of the victim's body.

John Wallace, aged 65 of New York, Killed by His Daughter.

New York, April 20.—John Wallace, a 65-year-old saw maker of Brooklyn, was shot and killed last night on Stuyvesant avenue near his home. His assailant, who was made captive immediately after ward by two passersby, was his daughter, Agnes Wallace. The motive for her act is not definitely known, although she exclaimed hysterically to the two men who seized her and handed her over to the police, "He cruelly killed my brother."

She described herself as 35 years old and a seamstress, living in the upper part of New York City.

Several hours after the shooting, a son of the dead man called at the station house and talked with his sister. He declined to discuss the tragedy. His sister, he said, was one of four daughters, and had been estranged from her father for about ten years.

WANTED FOR MURDER.

Negro Arrested in Boston Yesterday Afternoon on an Old Case.

Boston, April 20.—Phillip Alston, colored, was taken yesterday by a fugitive from justice from Louisville, N. C., where it is said that he was wanted for the murder of Catherine Jones.

It is alleged that Alston, about four years ago shot and killed a young woman, who was also colored, and who was 22 years of age, because of jealousy. Alston fled to this city and had been working as a porter under the name of Parker. He was recognized by two colored men of Louisville, who were visiting in this city, and they informed the police that he was Alston and was wanted on a charge of murder.

DROPS DEAD AT MACHINE.

Brattleboro Paper Mill Worker Has Fatal Hemorrhage.

Brattleboro, April 20.—Michael Murphy, aged 20, an employee at the Vinton paper mill, fell dead in the mill yesterday forenoon with an attack of hemorrhage of the brain. Oliver B. Smith, a machine tender, went into the heater room where Mr. Murphy was employed, and found him dead on the floor.

Mr. Murphy had worked at the mill 12 years. He came here from Putney, where he worked in the Cole paper mill. He is survived by a wife, who was Emma F. Durant of North Grafton, Mass., and three sisters, Mrs. Sanford A. Peck of Springfield, Vt., Mrs. Fred Allen of New Newport, N. H., and Miss Nellie Murphy of Putney.

LOST HIS JOB.

Because He Talked to the Newspapers on Case in Question.

Boston, April 20.—Judge Sherman today revoked the appointment of Associate Justice Stone of the Cambridge district court as Mary Kelleher's counsel. The woman is charged with homicide in the alleged poisoning of her relative, Stone recently gave an interview in a local paper. Judge Sherman stated to-day that this was prejudicial to a fair trial and revoked the appointment.

WAS A CAREFUL OPERATOR.

Some Witnesses Testified in Behalf of Young Henderson.

Burlington, April 20.—The hearing in the matter of granting an operator's automobile license to Albert T. Henderson was concluded yesterday before Secretary of State Guy W. Bailey of Essex Junction. The state's case was first completed.

George W. Kelley testified to seeing Henderson turn the corner of Church and Pearl streets carelessly and to his rapid driving on Church street. G. A. Murphy testified to Henderson's rapid driving.

Ralph O. Butler testified to seeing Henderson after the accident and observing that he probably would not go so fast hereafter, to which Henderson replied that he didn't see why it would make any difference.

Mayor James E. Burke said Henderson was a rapid and a careless driver. W. H. Alexander, weather observer, testified that the moon was full two nights after the accident and that on the night and hour of the mix-up, the moon was not past meridian. The night, he said, was clear and cold, Judge E. C. Mower also testified. Here the state rested.

The defense was then submitted. Chief Charles A. Niles of the first department testified as to the appearance of the track made by the automobile in going over and across the culvert to the spot where it was found. He said Henderson was a careful operator. He traced the tracks of the automobile from the place where it struck the culvert nearly to the point where it ran into the bank.

Chief of Police Russell testified along the same line. He said he had never received a complaint against Henderson's manner of driving.

W. J. Henderson, father of A. T. Henderson, testified to the experience of his son as an operator, the caution and care he was accustomed to use, and the part he took in demonstrating cars. He told of tracing the track of the automobile from a point 40 feet north to the culvert which was in the street. The machine, he said, struck the culvert only three or four inches from the street edge. He testified to tracing the wheel tracks over the culvert to the place near where it was found. He also told of measurements taken, lights on the machine, etc.

W. H. Ripley, Charles B. Allen, Mason G. Beebe, James A. Kelley, Lyman P. Wood, A. G. Mansur and J. H. Middlebrook testified to having seen Henderson frequently operating his machine about the city, that they had ridden with him and regarded him as a skillful, careful and prudent driver.

Arguments were made by State Attorney H. B. Shaw and C. H. Davy for the state and by R. W. Hubbard for the defense. Mr. Davy represents the attorney general.

A WILD FIVE MINUTES.

Made By a Tornado About Utica, N. Y., Late Yesterday.

Utica, N. Y., April 20.—A tornado swept over a large hill, a suburb of Utica, yesterday afternoon, and left behind it destruction and devastation. Houses and barns were demolished, trees uprooted, fences, sheds and large erections made in the earth. It came with a roar and while it lasted was terrifying. That 20 lives were lost is remarkable. The approach by a noise which was heard for some time. Preceding its arrival the air was filled with whirling leaves and twigs, but it was sweeping too high to strike the earth until it reached Marcy hill, where its full force was felt. It was about a quarter of a mile wide and toppled over everything in its path. Had the section been more thickly populated it would undoubtedly have been a catastrophe.

Those who experienced its terrors declare the earth trembled. The damage will amount to many thousands of dollars.

A Heavy Wind Storm.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., April 20.—A heavy wind storm raged in several sections of the Hudson river valley early last night. At Staatsburg, and at Poughkeepsie, the wind was terrific. Some of the smaller buildings in the path of the wind were turned upside down and several residences were completely demolished. Heavy timbers were carried from the wrecked buildings for several hundred feet.

The tornado lasted about five minutes. It came from the west and was remarkable. The approach by a noise which was heard for some time. Preceding its arrival the air was filled with whirling leaves and twigs, but it was sweeping too high to strike the earth until it reached Marcy hill, where its full force was felt. It was about a quarter of a mile wide and toppled over everything in its path. Had the section been more thickly populated it would undoubtedly have been a catastrophe.

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SEARCHING FOR BODY.

Of Oscar Turner, Supposed to Be in Bottom of Pond.

Bennington, April 20.—There are but few new developments in the supposed murder case at South Pownall. Last evening State Attorney W. J. Meagher received telephone instructions from Attorney-General Sargent to make a thorough investigation and a force of men was at work yesterday dragging the mill pond for the body of Oscar Turner. Sheriff John Nash left early in the morning for Pownall.

While the authorities are still of the opinion that Turner stumbled into the pond while in a dazed condition from the blows administered by Harris, there are a number of circumstances that will be investigated. Turner had completed work for a Pownall farmer Saturday and was planning to leave yesterday for Hyne, Cal., where his sister, Mrs. Edward Richer, resides. He had considerable money on his person, and there is a suspicion that this fact may have some bearing on the supposed tragedy.

THUNDER IN NEW YORK.

Destructive Storm Terminates a Day of Mid-summer Heat.

New York, April 20.—A mid-summer day in New York was terminated last night with a pyrotechnical thunder and lightning storm, which caused considerable damage. By 2 p. m. the thermometer touched 80 degrees, coming within one degree of equalling the record for April 19, established in 1906.

After dark a high southwest wind blew from the harbor which dropped the city and brilliantly illuminated it with lightning flashes. At City Island four young women employed at the central telephone exchange were knocked from their stools by a lightning shock over the wires. Elsewhere show windows were shattered, and chimneys shattered and hanging signs blown down.

TERRIFIC WIND IN TROY.

Many Buildings Unroofed Including One Large School House.

Troy, N. Y., April 20.—A terrific wind storm struck Troy and vicinity yesterday afternoon. Roofs were blown off buildings, plate glass windows were wrecked and in some instances stoops of residences were blown into the roadway. One man was hit by a part of a whirling roof. Two ribs were fractured and his spine was injured. The roof of a large school was torn away. The children were marched to the street by the fire drill in safety. The storm caused a loss of many thousands of dollars.

Tool Sharpeners, Notice.

A regular meeting of Tool Sharpeners' N. 2 branch of Granite Cutters' International association, will be held in their hall, Nichols' block, on Wednesday evening, April 21, 1909, at 7 o'clock. James Mutch, Sec.

LITTLE GIRL WAS DROWNED

Alice Choate, Aged 3, Lost Her Life at West Barnet

WHILE MOTHER WAS BUSY

Brook Runs Back of Charles Choate's House and the Child Fell in, Her Body Being Recovered 200 Yards Downstream.

West Barnet, April 20.—Alice, the three years old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Choate of this place, was drowned yesterday afternoon in a little brook which runs back of her parents' house, and the body was recovered later in the day by a party of searchers.

The child was left alone for a time while her mother was busy about the house. In about ten minutes Mrs. Choate missed Alice and looked all about for her. Not getting any trace, she gave the alarm, and within a short time a party of seventy-five searchers were out scouring the neighborhood. Presently the child's body was found in the brook at a point two hundred yards down the stream from the house. The body was lodged against a fence.

Alice was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Choate. The funeral arrangements had not been completed this morning.

FELL OFF TREESTLE BRIDGE.

Unknown Man Drowned in Piscataqua Bottle in His Pocket.

Portsmouth, N. H., April 20.—Shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mrs. Thomas Blaisdell, who lives at Kittery Junction, saw a man fall from the trestle bridge of the Atlantic Shore street railroad which crosses an arm of the river near her home into the Piscataqua river.

She notified Charles W. Gray, who lives near where the accident occurred, and he put off in a boat and finally secured the body. Life was extinct when the body was recovered and Coroner W. E. Shapleigh of Kittery was summoned.

On examination nothing was found on the man to reveal his identity. He was a man about 60 years old, 5 feet 8 inches in height, dressed in a black suit of new clothes, white shirt, with fine black and blue stripes. His hair was gray and he wore a short gray mustache.

His pockets contained a railroad ticket from Dover to Salmon Falls, two cheap nickel watches, but no money.

The body was brought to Ham's undertaking rooms in this city to await identification. The man is supposed to have been under the influence of liquor as a flask containing whiskey was found in his pocket.

LAKE IS GOING UP.

Much Damage Anticipated if the Water Rise Continues.

Burlington, April 20.—Since Saturday morning the lake has risen four inches and is steadily coming up. Two feet of the breakwater were out of sight yesterday and a few lumber piles owned by the Shepard & Morse Lumber company are marooned. The water is washing over the dock of the Champlain Transportation company and sets back in the roadway to the big entrance gate. The board walk that leads from the street to the dock is clear, but the water is lapping the very bottom of the planks. If the rain continues it is expected that the lake will rise another foot. In that case and with a heavy west wind much damage would be done. Yesterday morning the lake was seven feet and four and a quarter inches above low water mark.

DROWNS FROM CANOE.

Sidney T. Davis Loses Life When the Craft Overturns.

Pittsfield, Mass., April 20.—Sidney T. Davis, 23 years old, of Malden, was drowned in 15 feet of water at Pontoon lake, yesterday. He could not swim.

He was in a canoe with Alfred Veno, formerly of Lynn, now of Pittsfield, when the water became choppy and the craft capsized. They were 100 yards from the shore and Davis and Veno clung to the canoe after it was overturned, but a big wave swept Davis away. Veno hung on till W. K. Hunter and Louis G. Schneider rescued him. Police Sergeant Flynn recovered Davis' body.

TWO READ AT LAWTRANCE.

Canoe Capsized in Merrimac River Yesterday.

Lawrence, Mass., April 20.—A canoe containing four young men, was capsized late yesterday in the Merrimac river, and the occupants, Henry Crombie, aged 22, and William Farrisey, aged 19, both of this city, were drowned. Crombie's and Farrisey's companions were Peter Kerman and David Farrisey, the latter a brother of one of the drowned canoeists. Each was about 20 years old.

The party had been surprised by a violent thunder storm which broke over the Merrimac river without warning, and the boys tried to make a landing at Toye's point, a narrow protruding point of land, bordered on one side by a whirlpool. The boys headed directly into the whirlpool and after a frantic struggle to clear themselves, the canoe was upset and all four boys were thrown into the water. The two who were finally rescued struck the water on the

edge of the whirlpool, while their luckless companions, Crombie and W. Farrisey, were sucked into its very heart. It is believed their bodies never rose to the surface.

The cries of David Farrisey and Kerman were soon answered by Thomas Noon, who responded in a rowboat, into which he lifted the two boys.

The two victims, were plumbers' helpers and were unmarried.

WAS BORN IN ORANGE.

John Baldwin Who Died Recently in Town of Groton.

Groton, April 20.—The funeral of John Baldwin who died early Saturday morning after a short illness with pneumonia was held yesterday afternoon at his late home Rev. S. H. Myers officiating, and burial was in the village cemetery.

Mr. Baldwin was born in Orange and would have been eighty-three years of age had he lived until July. He had lived on the farm where he died forty-one years; previous to his moving there he lived for a short time in the west part of the town.

Deceased was twice married his first wife being Dorothy Page, who died about thirty-five years ago. To them were born three children, Mrs. O. H. Remington, deceased, Curtis, who lives at Plainfield and Mrs. W. W. Goss of Bradford. For his second wife he married Maria Plummer, who with two children, Lizzie, Mrs. George Mills and Eleanor, survives him. He is years survived by one sister, Mrs. Martha Craig of Topham. Mr. Baldwin was of a quiet disposition, a good citizen and will be much missed in his home.

Among those from out of town to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Baldwin, and Mr. and Mrs. Eben Dodge and children of Plainfield, Mrs. Martha Craig, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Royce and Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Frost of Topham, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Goss of Bradford, O. H. Remington and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dow of Corinth.

CASES CONTINUED.

In Washington County Court Which Resumed Sitting Today.

Washington county court resumed its session this morning after a recess since last week. In the case of Laura C. Walker vs. Ralph W. Putnam, administrator, the decree for the plaintiff was ordered. In the case of George N. Webster vs. William Miller, Attorney Thierault, appearing for the defendant, stated that he expected the case would be settled within a month and asked for a continuance which was granted. In the case of F. R. Bingham vs. Jesse A. Root, general assumpsit, a continuance was granted as the parties hoped to agree.

PRISONERS TRANSFERRED.

From Vermont House of Correction to Federal Prison at Atlanta.

Rutland, April 20.—Lynn C. Fuller and John Jenkins, federal prisoners, who have been at the House of Correction here for some time, will be taken today to the United States prison at Atlanta, Ga., by Deputy Marshal F. H. Chapman and E. S. Whitaker. Fuller was sentenced to serve two years at the Atlanta prison in the February term of the United States court in Burlington, and he has merely been here for safekeeping. He was prosecuted through the efforts of Anthony Comstock of New York for sending obscene matter through the mails. Jenkins was sentenced at Windsor in May, 1907, to serve three years and six months at the house of correction. As he is a long term man District Attorney Alexander Dunnett has ordered him transferred to Atlanta.

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STRUCK IN THE HEAD.

Robert Eagan Lucky to Escape Death in an Accident To-day.

A gasoline torch, weighing 12 pounds, and falling from a height of 30 feet, came near ending the life of Robert Eagan of Montpelier this forenoon. Eagan is a helper employed by the Consolidated Lighting company, a company with another employee named Brigham was making some connections into the house at 23 Branch street in this city.

Brigham was working on the roof, 20 feet from the ground, and Eagan was standing under him, when the man on the roof accidentally dropped the heavy torch. He cried out to Eagan as it fell, and the latter dodged, but the descending metal struck him a glancing blow in the side of his head, cutting a long gash.

The injured man was helped into a wagon and taken to the office of Dr. Leonard and the wound was dressed. Several stitches were required to close it. Had the torch struck the man fair on the head, his skull would undoubtedly have been fractured.

Mr. Eagan's condition was such this afternoon that he was able to go to his home in Montpelier, and it is not expected that he will be laid up long as the result of his injury.

RECEIVED SAD NEWS.

Miss Eva Russell of Montpelier Called to Canton, N. Y., To-day.

Miss Eva Russell, supervisor of music in the Montpelier public schools, received a telegram to-day telling of the death of her mother, Mrs. F. E. Russell, at Canton, N. Y., this morning, and Miss Russell left for that place this afternoon. Mrs. Russell had been ill for a year, and recently had been very low.

ALL OUT TO-NIGHT!

For the Board of Trade Meeting in Manufacturers' Rooms.

Remember the board of trade meeting to-night for the purposes of organization. Everybody interested in the advancement of Barre should be at the granite manufacturers' rooms at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thomas of Marshfield visited friends in this city today.

BRISK WORK BY FIREMEN

They Nipped Threatening Blaze on Depot Square

TOTAL DAMAGE WAS \$1,500

Mrs. L. J. Bolster, W. W. Calder and Calder & Richardson Were the Chief Losers—Loggers Got Out in a Hurry.

Damage to the amount of \$1,500 was done to Mrs. L. J. Bolster's building and its contents on Depot square late last night, and the firemen had one of their busiest tasks of the year. W. W. Calder, harness-maker